

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 31, with the following amended paragraph:

--Prior to all the stages for extracting and separating the starch and the proteins ~~proper~~, it is highly recommended to remove the internal fiber fractions as rapidly as possible in the first stages of the processes used.--

Please replace paragraph beginning at page 16, line 19, with the following amended paragraph:

--The use of these processes may be advantageously carried out in a particular device, but better still directly in an industrial starch unit for the treatment of potato ~~proper~~, in between campaigns.--